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1. PRIME MINISTER MINTOFF REPORTED TO PARLIAMENT OCTOBER 16 CONCERNING HIS OCTOBER 4-10 TRIP TO THE MIDDLE EAST. TEXT OF MINTOFF STATEMENT FOLLOWS:

2. A. " BETWEEN THE 4TH AND 10TH OF OCTOBER, 1974, THE MALTESE DELEGATION VISITED CAIRO, OMAN AND QATAR. ON ITS WAY TO AND FROM THE MIDDLE EAST, THE DELEGATION TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH ITALIAN GOVERNMENT MINISTERS AND OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS
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B. "THE DELEGATION WAS COMPOSED OF EDGAR MIZZI, CROWN ADVOCATE GENERAL, ALBERT MIZZI, CHAIRMAN OF AIR MALTA, WALTER AQUILINA, GENERAL MANAGER OF SEA MALTA, AND MYSELF.

C. "IN CAIRO, THE MALTESE DELEGATION MET WITH PRESIDENT SADAT AND PRIME MINISTER DR. ABDEL AZIZ MOHAMMED HEGAZI. IN TALKS WITH THE EGYPTIAN PRIME MINSTER WAYS WERE DISCUSSED OF STRENGTHENING COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE INTERNATIONAL SPHERE AS WELL AS IN BILATERAL RELATION.

D. "FROM CAIRO THE MALTESE DELEGATION PROCEEDED TO MUSCAT, IN OMAN. ON THE WAY THERE THEY STOPPED AT DOHA AND ABU DHABI WHERE THE DELEGATION WAS WELCOMED BY MINISTERS OF THOSE COUNTRIES. IN OMAN THE DELEGATION HAD TALKS WITH THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS. HIS EXCELLENCY QAIS AL ZAWAWI, AND WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF OMAN.
IN THE EVENING THE MALTESE DELEGATION WAS AT AN OFFICIAL BANQUET GIVEN BY MUHAFIDH AL A'SMA AND HIS EXCELLENCY SAYYID THUWAINY BIN SHIHAB, THE SULTAN'S PERSONAL ADVISER. THE FOLLOW-ING DAY THE MALTESE DELEGATION HAD TALKS WITH HIS MAJESTY GABOOS BEN SAID BEN TAIMUR, THE SULTAN OF OMAN.

E. "THE SULTAN GREATLY APPRECICATED MALTA'S ACTIVITY IN THE INTERANTIONAL SPHERE, ESPECIALLY MALTA'S POLICY AS A BRIDGE BETWEEN EUROPE AND THE ARAB COUNTRIES. THE SULTAN WAS STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF FULL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. TWO DELEGATIONS FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF OMAN WILL SHORTLY VISIT MALTA FOR THIS PURPOSE.

C. "IN DOHA, QATAR, THE MALTESE DELEGATION MET AMIR SHEIK KHALIFA BIN HAMAD AL THANI. PRESENT AT THIS MEETING WERE SHEIK SUHEIM BIN HAMAD AL THANI, FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER, AND ISA GHANI AL KUWARI, MINISTER OF INFORMATION. QATAR ALSO WANTS TO ESTABLISH FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH MALTA AND TO HELP THE ISLANDS' ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. FOR THIS PURPOSE ONE OF THE MINISTERS WILL SHORTLY VISIT MALTA.

G. "IN ITALY THE MALTESE DELEGATION DISCUSSED THE PROB-LEM OF MALTA AND THE COMMON MARKET, THE WORK OF THE EUROPEAN
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SECURITY CONFERENCE IN GENEVA AND THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROJECT.

H. "THE MALTESE DELEGATION RETURNED TO MALTA ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10TH AT 11:30 A.M." SMITH

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